

House Resolution No. 3637

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Edmunds Grey Dimond, M.D. recently enhanced his already impressive record of accomplishment when he was selected to receive a 2008 Missourian Award by the American Heart Association at a special ceremony to be held on September 27, 2008; and

Whereas, Dr. Dimond, a Missouri native, earned his medical degree from Indiana University, and he nobly served his country as a Captain in the Army Medical Corps as Chief of Cardiology of the Far East Command in Tokyo, Japan; and

Whereas, in 1950, Dr. Dimond became director of the Cardiovascular Laboratory at the University of Kansas Medical School, in 1953 became the youngest Department of Medicine Chairman in the country, and in 1960 assumed the role of Director of the Institute for Cardiopulmonary Disease at Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation in La Jolla, California; and

Whereas, while serving as Scholar-in-Residence at the National Library of Medicine in Washington, D.C., Dr. Dimond became special Consultant in Medical Education to the Assistant Secretary of Health (Health, Education, and Welfare), when he was recruited to found the brand-new University of Missouri at Kansas City School of Medicine; and

Whereas, Dr. Dimond has served as a Fulbright Professor to the Netherlands, Paul Dudley White Traveling Scholar, Scholar-in-Residence Rockefeller Center in Bellagio, Italy, Honorary Professor at Shanghai Second Medical Center and the Fu Wai National Heart Hospital in Beijing, and the President of the American College of Cardiology, and he has received the Distinguished Service Award and Gifted Teacher Award from the American College of Cardiology and been named a Distinguished Professor of Medicine by the University of Missouri; and

Whereas, the author of eighteen books, Dr. Dimond has led numerous diplomatic and educational trips on behalf of the State Department, and was one of the first American physicians invited to visit China, twenty-five years after the draping of the bamboo curtain; and

Whereas, Dr. Dimond takes special pleasure and pride in his three daughters and adopted Chinese daughter; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards nominees have made an outstanding contribution to the state or nation in the areas of civics, business, education, politics, or the arts by dedicating their lives to improving the quality of life in this state through diligent work and charitable ideals:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the well-deserved selection of Dr. Dimond for a 2008 Missourian Award from the American Heart Association; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Edmunds Grey Dimond, M.D.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Talboy
District No. 37

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3637, adopted July 17, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker